

Recently while driving cross-country, I used my XM radio to keep me abreast of local weather and traffic. It was a great comfort to me to have this information available ON DEMAND. I did not have to tune to a local station and wait for a possibly up to an hour to hear a weather or traffic report. Often by the time I get a traffic report from a local station, I am already in the area causing one more car to be added to the jam when I could have avoided the congestion and lessened the traffic.

This is a service I gladly pay for as I see the benefits far outweighing the cost, and I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160. While I appreciate the community service reports of weather and traffic supplied by local stations, I do not feel these limited AM/FM radio broadcasts should impact my ability to get this information on demand in a timely manner when I need it.

Thank you,
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